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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINES ON U.S. CANDIDATE FOR STANDING
COMMITTEE

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Classified By: Pol/C Tom Gibbons, for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

¶1. (C) As requested (reftel), post met with the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) to convey U.S. support for Steve Carr's candidacy to the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement's Standing Commission, and urged Philippine support for his election.

¶2. (C) Leah Ruiz, Director for International Political, Legal, and Security Affairs in DFA's Office of United Nations and International Organizations, noted our points regarding Mr. Carr's candidacy. Ms. Ruiz stated that the candidacy of Mr. Carr is being submitted to the Philippine Red Cross for comment. However, observing that the United States does not engage in quid pro quo arrangements on such issues, Ms. Ruiz stated that the Philippines may seek to promote the Philippines' interests on other issues by leveraging its support for other candidates.

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